

Man, 25, is accused of killing girl

A man aged 25 was charged last night with the murder of Suzanne Thatcher, aged 18, whose naked and battered body was found yesterday in the grounds of Cirencester Park...

Miss Thatcher, from Blaenau Ffestiniog, Gwynedd, was a groom to Mr Christopher Marson, a farmer from Fairwood, Swansea, whose family was competing at the Amberley Horse Show at Cirencester Park...

Timex sit-in ultimatum

The management of Timex has told the 450 workers involved in a four-week occupation at its factory in Milton, Dunstable, that they will be dismissed today unless they indicate that they are prepared to end the occupation...

Greenpeace in whale protest

Whale and dolphin shows have been interrupted at Windsor Safari Park and Brighton Aquarium in holiday protests which launched a 1983 Greenpeace campaign against the capture, trade and display of wild whales and dolphins...

Caning criticism for Government

The National Union of Teachers accused the Government yesterday of acting frivolously and indecisively over whether caning in schools should continue...

Protest over aid for marchers

The governors of Ullswater High School, Penrith, have protested to Mr William Whitelaw, the local MP, over a decision by Cumbria's education committee to allow the 70 unemployed walkers on the People's March for Jobs to stay at the school last night...

'Cheap TV for the frightened'

Pensioners who are in effect housebound because they are afraid of being robbed in the street should get cheaper television licences, Miss Betty Millard, president of the National Federation of Old Age Pensioners Associations said in Llandudno yesterday...

Victim clubbed

Mr Fred Honour, a betting shop owner, was clubbed with an iron bar by two masked riders who burst into his shop in Eastfield Road, Burnham, near Slough, yesterday.

TUC enters election fray with attack on Prime Minister

By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

TUC leaders started their electioneering last night with a preemptive propaganda strike on the subject of trade union democracy. They intend to persuade voters that the Government has got it all wrong about the unions...

Tilbury dock strike inquiry to reconvene

The inquiry into the eight-week strike by Tilbury dockers is reconvening today in an attempt to complete hearings before a mass meeting on Thursday...

Ford threat lifted

The threat of a strike at Ford's Halwood plant over the introduction of what unions call "Japanese-style" efficiency plans has been lifted...

Hospital fire

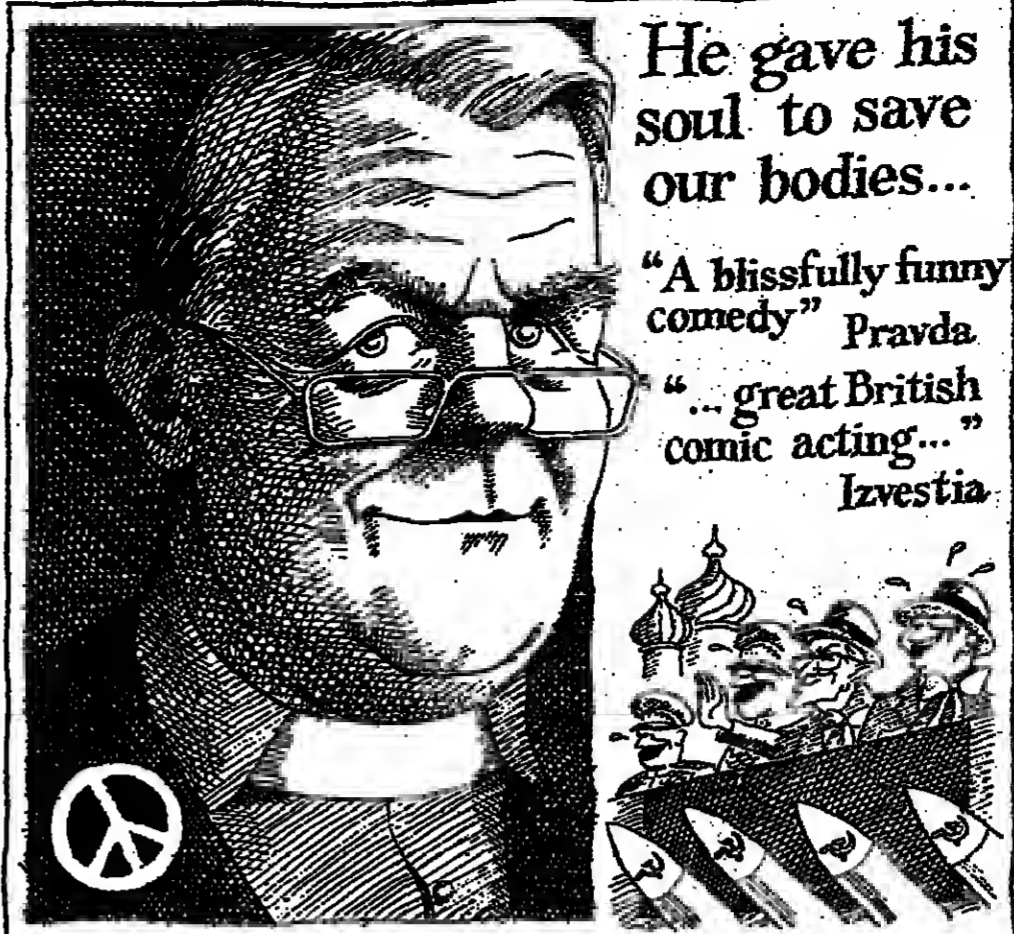
Twenty-three patients were removed from a ward at the Abraham Cowley hospital, Chertsey, in Surrey, yesterday when fire broke out.



Holiday drive: Some of the entrants in the Old Commercial Vehicles Rally which was held in Battersea Park, London, yesterday. (Photograph: Bill Warhurst)

Theatre directors join police Bill protest

Leading directors in British theatre, film, television and radio have written to Mr William Whitelaw, the Home Secretary, urging changes in the Police and Criminal Evidence Bill which they claim give the police blanket powers to seize film, tapes and other material without necessary safeguards...



He gave his soul to save our bodies... "A blissfully funny comedy" Pravda. "... great British comic acting..." Izvestia

The Missionary

GLC grants favour Labour boroughs

Nearly one in eight of the payments made during 1982-83 under the Greater London Council's programme for local government grants have gone to organizations based in Islington...

'Vandalism to ignore private care'

It would be an "act of social vandalism" for any government to turn its back on private and voluntary health care, Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, says today in Crossness...

'Irish luck' saves trawler

Fresh food supplies and cigarettes were dropped to a stricken trawler last night after the "luck of the Irish" ended an air and sea search for the 20-ton vessel...

Spending action upsets Tories

Conservative councils are protesting strongly over new government efforts to impose targets on council spending because they say new figures clearly show that Labour authorities are the culprits on "overspending"...

Type of council	% by which overspent
All councils	3.8
Shire counties	1.5
Shire districts	at target
Metro districts	1.5
Outer London	2.0
Inner London	6.0
Metro counties	6.5
GLC	53.0

Foreign Office to discuss U-boat salvage

The American salvage operator who has discovered an unrecorded German submarine from the Second World War in Caribbean waters is to meet Foreign Office officials today to negotiate salvage rights.

Children snatch £2,000 left on table in pub

A boy aged about eight and a girl believed to be a year older have snatched more than £2,000 from a public house, Detectives believe that the children were driven round the Berkshire and south Oxfordshire countryside in a search for an easy public house from which to steal...

Science report

How nerve cells keep in touch

A detailed study of the anatomy of part of the brain has revealed an intimate association between blood vessels and a particular type of nerve cell, implying that it is important for them to communicate with each other.

With a standard microscope they were able to trace the path of several stained nerve cells through different layers of the cerebral cortex. A noticeable feature was that one of the long thin arms extending from the nucleus of the nerve cells sometimes diverged towards and made contact with a blood vessel of the brain.

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Labour demands inquiry led by judge into Bluff Cove deaths

By Barrie Clement, Labour Reporter

Mr Denzil Davies, shadow secretary of State for Wales, called yesterday for an inquiry under the chairmanship of a High Court judge into the Bluff Cove tragedy in the Falklands conflict, which claimed the lives of 50 servicemen, 43 of them members of the Welsh Guards.

Mr Davies said: "The Ministry of Defence should not be allowed to be the judge and jury. We need to sort through the evidence in an objective way. If there was military incompetence, as many people are saying, the matter should be cleared up as quickly as possible. Mrs Thatcher is still very proud of the whole Falklands operation. But she has the duty to relatives of the men killed to tell them exactly what happened."

Mr Geoffrey Patten, a junior defence minister, told the Commons last December: "The risks taken were no greater than some others in the campaign." He added: "Although it may be possible to criticize in retrospect some judgments made by individuals, these are of the type that will always be made in rapidly developing operations."



Sounds instrumental: Richard Harvey owns more than 80 musical instruments and can play at least 20 of them. Later this month he will play three recorders, ranging in size from 4 1/2 in to 6 1/2 in, during a concert by the London Vivaldi Orchestra at the Queen Elizabeth Hall, London.

Next month Mr Harvey will be playing between 15 and 20 instruments in a 13-concert tour with John Williams, the guitarist. Also a composer, he wrote the music for the television serial 'Death of an Expert Witness'.

photograph: ① sub contra bass; ② mandolin; ③ Pan pipe; ④ crumhorn; ⑤ bell tree; ⑥ flutes; ⑦ saxophone; ⑧ naker (drum); ⑨ tenor saxophone; ⑩ celtic harp; ⑪ bass schallmei; ⑫ tenor rauschpfeife; ⑬ portative organ; ⑭ guitar; ⑮ Spanish lute; ⑯ double bass recorder; ⑰ flatback mandolin; ⑱ cittern; ⑳ glockenspiel; ㉑ flex horn.

Plea to end animal test funds

The Government should no longer make money available for research on factory farming using live animals, the National Anti-Vivisection Society said yesterday. In a statement to the Commons Select Committee on Agriculture, the society said it strongly condemned all animal experiments linked to research projects designed to boost factory farming methods.

Dr Robert Sharpe, the society's scientific officer, said: "Quite apart from the lack of moral justification, many of the experiments carried out appear to have little relation to the needs of agriculture and because of the difficulties of transferring results from one species to another are of questionable scientific value."

Skeletons found

Seven skeletons have been found in a Roman cemetery near Derby raccourse with their skulls between their knees. It is believed they were criminals or regarded as eccentrics, who were beheaded to stop their spirits wandering.

Farm all-clear

The Ministry of Agriculture yesterday lifted a ban on the movement of cattle by farms around Swithians near Redruth, Cornwall, after tests on a cow suspected of having foot-and-mouth proved negative.

7 hurt in fire

Seven men were taken to hospital in Aberdeen on Sunday night when fire badly damaged a hostel in Dee Street. Two of the men, who jumped from a first-floor window, were kept in hospital.

Shunter killed

A British Rail shunter who was crushed to death while coupling two carriages at Staines station, was identified yesterday, as Mr Thomas Davey, aged 26, a married man, who lived at Englefield Green, Surrey.

Royal design

An exhibition of embroidery and lace worked by and for members of the Royal Family has been opened to the public at Manchester Castle, near Ravenhill, Cumbria. The exhibition has been provided by the Royal School of Needlework.

Pit strike off

Miners will return to work today after a five-day strike at Shirebrook Colliery, near Mifflon, Derbyshire.

Jail chief investigates Martin overdose

An inquiry by Mr Anthony Pearson, the governor of Brixton Prison, south London, was seeking to discover yesterday how Mr David Martin, a top-security remand prisoner, obtained an overdose of drugs. The outcome is expected to be a further tightening of security measures.

Mr Martin, aged 36, who faces 14 charges, including the attempted murder of a police officer, was recovering in the prison's hospital wing yesterday. He was found in a drugged sleep in his solitary cell on Saturday.

TV-am's new broom starts work

By Kenneth Gosling

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New moves in housing

Easier home buying Half-price flats offer to council tenants

By Baron Phillips, Property Correspondent

A campaign is to be started by the Consumers' Association aimed at streamlining the procedures for buying and selling houses in England and Wales. The move comes after the introduction into the House of Commons last week of a Bill that would in effect end the solicitors' monopoly on house conveyancing.

Mr David Tench, the association's legal officer, said yesterday: "House transfer is one of the great problems of our time and because it is of great concern to consumers there ought to be great changes." At the heart of the matter, he said, was the solicitors' monopoly on property conveyancing. It is believed that among the problems surrounding house purchases that the survey will highlight are cost, length of time necessary to complete sales, legal formalities, and "gazumping".

Fuel boards unaware of cut-off rules

By Pat Healy, Social Services Correspondent

The Government is being urged to take swift action to implement new rules introduced a year ago in an attempt to reduce disconnections of fuel supplies for poor families.

Public back move to end age bias

By Our Political Reporter

A Bill introduced by a Labour MP to ban discrimination against workers on the ground of age has received wide support from the public.

Cable TV

Ministers back down on jobs

By Bill Johnstone, Electronics Correspondent

The Government has failed to persuade the electronics industry and labour that the expansion of cable television even though it used the prospect of job creation when justifying its decision to allow the system to expand.

has noted that in the United States the tendency of the franchising process to lead to unrealistic promises has been particularly marked in the area of interactive services, where local authorities with franchising powers have been more enthusiastic in requiring such services than the public have been in paying for them.

The Government's published policy is not only causing confusion but it also appears to have diluted some of its plans for non-entertainment services. The Consumers' Association has declared its confidence in cable, but again emphasizes the entertainment channels. Young and Rubicam, the advertising agency, however, told its clients to be cautious.

Experts challenged on environment risks

By David Nicholson-Lord

The public should be sceptical about the risk projections of people regarded as experts on environmental hazards, delegates were told at Reclamation '83, a four-day conference on waste disposal and reclamation of polluted land that ended on Saturday.

Professor Terence Lee of Surrey University, a leading authority on environmental psychology, said that risk assessment lacked dependable statistics, particularly on long-term mortality, as opposed to short-term mortality, while experts differed among themselves.

Professor O'Riordan cited research suggesting that between 20 and 35 per cent of people in Western democracies adhere to the attitudes of the Green movement, whose great weapon was doubt; throwing the burden of proof of safety on the authorities.

Both Professor O'Riordan and Mr Anthony Barker, of Essex University's department of government, called for reform of the public inquiry system. Mr Barker said the system could be destroyed by treating major inquiries "as if they were simply bigger examples of smaller ones".

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Middle East mission: Week one

Shultz fails to clear any of the major obstacles

From Christopher Walker, Jerusalem

As Mr George Shultz, the American Secretary of State, last night concluded the first week of his delicate Middle East mission, it emerged that the main obstacles preventing the elusive agreement on the withdrawal of the 70,000 foreign troops based in Lebanon remained unresolved.

More Israeli's fall out of step

From Our Own Correspondent Jerusalem

Seven months and 332 Israeli deaths since the war in Lebanon officially ended last September, the internal dissension which has distinguished it so markedly from all five previous Israeli-Arab conflicts is still growing, both inside the Army and out.

Sinai development feels the pinch

From Robert Holloway, Cairo



A shortage of funds and pioneers is likely to continue to restrain plans for the development of Sinai as Egypt begins its second year of restored control over the area formerly occupied by Israel.

Ironically, the concluding chapter asks: "How is it possible I can resign myself to leaving my son in the hands of the extremists who now command the Israeli Army?"

A spokesman for Yesh Gvul (There is a Limit) the group of Israeli soldiers who refused to serve inside Lebanon, disclosed yesterday that since the controversial campaign began, 36 members had been imprisoned.

Much of the unease felt in Israel about the war is now finding its expression in literature as well as in individual gestures like the one-man vigils mounted recently outside the Prime Minister's house by a tour guide, aged 60, who had lost his son to the fighting.

The Government's appreciation of this underlying mood might yet persuade Israel to offer some concessions to Mr George Shultz, the United States Secretary of State, in his efforts to secure agreement on troop withdrawal from Lebanon.



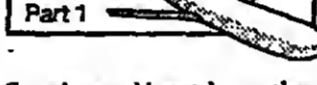
Salute to Israel: Mr Edward Koch, Mayor of New York, marching in a Fifth Avenue parade honouring the thirty-fifth anniversary of Israel's independence.

Trudeau's trial by Tomahawk

JOHN BEST, Ottawa Correspondent, in the first of two articles, describes the opposition to plans to test cruise missiles in Canada.

There once more exclusively conventional. A weary-looking Prime Minister harked back to that episode in responding to one more NDP barrage in the Commons recently.

range of US weapons in Canada, including the cruise. The Canadian and US Defence Departments will then proceed to work out an accord which, however, will be submitted to the Canadian Cabinet for its approval.



Canada would not be nuclear-armed. In fact, it would not be armed at all, a point which the Government has been at some pains to emphasize.

Opponents of the testing programme constantly taunt with Mr Trudeau with reminders of a speech to the United Nations four years ago, in which he called for a "strategy of suffocation" to snuff out development of nuclear weapons delivery systems in the laboratory.

Hijacked US jet returns after stop in Havana

Miami (AP) - An American jet with 212 people hijacked to Cuba by a man claiming to be carrying explosives returned to Miami yesterday after being grounded overnight in Havana because the crew could not free the jammed emergency doors.

Jakarta rebuffs China's hand of peace

Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone, the Japanese Prime Minister, ended a three-day visit to Indonesia yesterday with pledges of continued economic aid and cooperation, but a firm "no" from Jakarta on early resumption of diplomatic ties with Peking.

Press Council defends use of murder photograph

The publication of a photograph of a man shot in an alleged gangland killing was in the public interest because it showed the enormity of the crime, the Press Council ruled today.

Norway no longer sure sub existed

Oslo (Reuters) - Norway scaled down its six-day hunt for a suspected submarine in a west coast fjord and one admiral said the Navy was no longer sure one had ever been there.

Britons fear for Greek property

From Mario Modiano Athens British owners of property in Corfu and other areas of Greece who fear their title deeds will be invalidated by Greek courts took their case yesterday to Mr Andreas Papandreu, the Greek Prime Minister.

Polar walker claims success

Resolute Bay, Canada (AP) - The Italian adventurer Ambrogio Fogar said he was picked up by aircraft near the North Pole on Sunday, completing a seven-week solo walk over the polar ice cap.

Irishman asks to stay in NZ

Christchurch (Reuters) - Tony Butler, aged 30, from Northern Ireland, arrested after a British police tip-off on the day the Prince and the Princess of Wales toured Christchurch, said yesterday he was seeking political asylum in New Zealand.

Student jailed for aiding attack

Stuttgart (Reuters) - Helga Rosendahl, a West German student, was sentenced to four years and nine months in jail for helping urban guerrillas to carry out an abortive 1981 assassination attempt on General Frederick Kroesen, the US Army Commander in Europe.

Nimeiri wins

President Nimeiri of Sudan, who has been re-elected for a third six-year term, the official Middle East News Agency reported from Khartoum. He was said to have won 99.6 per cent of the vote in the 12-day referendum which began on April 15.

Bail refused

Canberra (Reuters) - The Australian High Court refused bail to Mrs Lindy Chamberlain, given a life sentence last year for the 1980 murder of her infant daughter Azaria in the so-called dingo-baby case.



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Treasury crisis-spotters: From left, Dr John Rickard, Mr Graham Houston, Mr Herbert Christie and Mr Tom Burgner. (Photograph: John Manning.)

Whitehall brief Looking back to plan forward

One of the games historians love to play, although they always say it is unprofessional and pretend they are doing something else, is "hindsight". It springs from the feeling that, for example, if only one had been at the elbow of Sir Dudley Pound in the Admiralty when he scattered convoy PQ 17, disaster might have been averted.

through Cabinet committees like Mrs Thatcher's Economy, Nationalized Industries (which they do not admit to) and the cyclical grip of advising ministers as part of the annual nationalized industries investment and financing review.

Bail for seven rugby players

Seven men from the Neath area of South Wales were remanded on bail until June 2 by magistrates at Gloucester yesterday on charges arising from an incident on their rugby club coach on Saturday night.

MP selected

Mr Michael Welsh, Labour MP for Don Valley, has been selected as prospective parliamentary candidate for the new seat of Doncaster, North.

Wesley's pulpit

A pulpit that was used by John Wesley, one of the founders of Methodism, has been found in a school store-room at Bath, Avon.

Warsaw told by Walesa to stop police violence and start talking

From Roger Boyce, Warsaw

Mr Lech Walesa, leader of the outlawed Solidarity organization, yesterday bitterly condemned police violence during the May Day riots in Poland and said such methods would lead to the use of force by pro-Solidarity demonstrators.

The warning, given by Mr Walesa before he entered the Lenin shipyards in Gdansk for work yesterday, came as the local newspaper in Nowa Huta announced the death of a man after the demonstrations on May Day. Some 10,000 demonstrators were believed to have staged May Day protests in the southern steel producing city and clashes with police are said to have continued until night-fall. The newspaper, *Echo Krakowa*, said the man, Mr Ryszard Smagura, was found unconscious on the street in the afternoon and died later in hospital. The cause of death was not stated.

Official estimates say that 40,000 demonstrators took part in the pro-Solidarity rallies on Sunday in 20 cities. Unofficial estimates put the figure much higher. Mr Walesa said yesterday: "The first of May was successful... They beat us with their batons but unhappy people will not cure this economy."

Mr Walesa, speaking carefully to ensure that the statement could not be used against him in current investigations, said that he still wanted to negotiate with the Government. "This was the last moment for them to think because if not, I think, among other possibilities, that we may have to fight using their methods... There is a growing number of those who were beaten and wounded who want revenge."

"It will make people use the same methods as the police and that is dangerous", he said, emphasizing: "I would like to avoid this."

Mr Walesa's analysis of the demonstration is not substantially different from the fugitive underground Solidarity leadership, which believes that the strength of the turnout, despite threats of repercussions, clearly demonstrated the strength of the underground following and argue that this strength should be used to pressure the Government into negotiations.

"They may think they are strong. They beat girls and grandfathers", Mr Walesa said about the Government. But this was an illusion. "What we saw yesterday must change the minds of those who make decisions... we must sit at a table and at least try to talk."

The Government, which has yet to announce the official casualty or arrest figures, does not analyse the demonstrations in the same manner and has ridiculed the efforts of the underground to disrupt the official May Day celebrations.

However, the Solidarity underground leadership want to follow up its protests with a further challenge today to mark Constitution Day. According to leaflets circulated by the leadership, workers are supposed to turn up for work in their Sunday best, wear red and white badges and stoned, then hacked to death during the funeral of a black community leader in Lamentville, a black township near Durban, on Sunday. An unidentified young man was also stabbed to death near the cemetery.

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Front line. Clouds of tear gas engulf fleeing demonstrators in Gdansk on Sunday.

Man hacked to death at funeral

From Michael Hornsby Johannesburg

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Tension had been high in the area since Mr Dube's death. A few days later mobs set fire to the home of Mr Moonlight Gasa, another community councillor, who was suspected of having approved the rent increase. Another man, accused of sheltering Mr Gasa, apparently collapsed and died on Saturday when he saw a group of youths marching on his home.

On Friday a Durban Corporation bus was stoned and burnt. Earlier in the week angry blacks set fire to buildings and machinery belonging to the Government.

People came to the funeral from all over the country and during the service anti-government slogans were shouted. A message was read out from the Roman Catholic Archbishop of Durban, Mr Denis Hurley, who said that Mr Dube had been a courageous leader who "strive for justice and freedom and suffered for the cause he loved".

Easy street ends for cabbies

From David Bonavia, Peking

A go-slow by taxi drivers in Peking is making life difficult for foreign residents who do not have their own cars. Many business representatives and some embassy staff members depend on taxis to get around, but drivers have become choosy about the routes they will cover because of new regulations reducing their bonuses.

"We don't want to inconvenience you," a young driver said, "but we only earn a basic wage of 40 yuan (about £12) a month and another 20 yuan as bonus. It is not enough to save or get married on."

Complex regulations governing the number of miles covered and the allocation of

petrol have been tightened. This has annoyed drivers who previously were making up to twice as much as the average wage in industry.

It is becoming common to see foreigners arguing heatedly with taxi dispatchers at the big hotels, because the drivers are willing to go to one destination but not another.

A cheerful and friendly crowd on the whole, the drivers have been somewhat spoiled by being allowed to take their fares in either yuan or in the special foreign currency certificates, which enable them to obtain luxury goods from special stores for foreigners.

Few Chinese people can afford to hire taxis and public

transport is very crowded, though cheap.

Taxi-drivers make their passengers green by coasting and driving only in the higher gears to try save petrol, a practice which is uncomfortable, risky and bad for the car.

Meanwhile it has been disclosed that the Peking underground railway opened 10 years ago is making a huge loss. Because the municipal council regards it as a public service, and subsidises it heavily a worker can by his lunch with the difference between a ride on the underground and one on a bus. Commuters can receive a special bonus if they travel by bicycle.

Last-ditch Pertini attempt to avert early election

From Peter Nichols, Rome

President Pertini asked Senator Tommaso Morino, leader of the Senate, yesterday to consult political parties to see if a new Italian Government can be formed without the need for an early general election.

The President surprised most politicians yesterday with his decision to postpone signature of a decree which was expected to name June 26 as the date for a general election. Many of them have been electorally confident that the President would be forced to dissolve Parliament. He will almost certainly still have to, but his request to Senator Morino has added a fresh touch to a complicated situation. Senator Morino undertook to carry out his task as quickly as possible and was immediately in touch with the party secretaries. His brief is simply to add greater detail to the picture the President has already formed after his own consultations with party leaders. There is no suggestion at the moment that if Senator Morino provides a report opposing general elections, he will then be asked to head the next government.

His entry on to a scene which the Presidential Palace itself describes as delicate over-the-hill of substantial political interest. Senator Amintore Fanfani's four-party coalition was forced to resign last week because the Socialists, who are

the largest partner after the Christian Democrats, withdrew their support.

Their reason for doing so was that the vigour necessary for governing the country could only be found by means of an election.

The Socialists on several occasions during the four years of this Parliament have brought a dissolution vote, a tactic which has brought them a disproportionate amount of prominence, given that they now have only 10 per cent of the national vote. Partly because of these tactics, they would expect to gain more from an election now than by waiting a year until this Parliament's mandate is finished.

President Pertini's move is in a sense a rebuke addressed to the Socialists. They are trying to force an election and, almost surely, there will be a dissolution. But the President is underlining their responsibility very clearly by his refusal to be rushed into a decision.

He will no doubt have heard from the country's largest party, the Christian Democrats, of their opposition to elections and a warning from the Communists, the second largest party, that a dissolution would not appear as the consequence of the collapse of a government, but of the failure of four years of policies imposed by the five governments to emerge from this Parliament.

Reshuffle in Guyana

Georgetown - Mr Forbes Burnham, the Guyanese President, has replaced two long-standing ministers in a government reshuffle, AFP reports.

Mr Robert Jack, Mines and Energy Minister, has been named Ambassador to Brazil and replaced by Mr Haroon Rashid, while Mr Frank Hope, the Trade Minister, has been replaced by Mr Desmond Hoyte, a Vice-President. Mr

Hope is to join the Inter-American Development Bank in Washington.

Mr Burnham last week rejected International Monetary Fund aid for his country's troubled economy, because he found the IMF's terms for a wage freeze and devaluation too harsh. He has accused the IMF and the US of trying to destabilize his 19-year-old regime.

China puts four elderly priests back in prison

Peking (NYT) - Four elderly Catholic priests in Shanghai have been sent back to prison for up to 15 years for offences that included maintaining ties with the Vatican and sending abroad information about Catholics in China.

The priests were first arrested in November 1981 in a police crackdown on underground religious activity. They were put on trial after spending as much as 16 months in detention, according to reports from Catholic sources in Shanghai. The Rev Zhu Hongshen, who is known in the west as Vincent Chu, received a 15-year prison sentence. The Rev Zhen Yun-tang, who is known abroad as Joseph Chen, was sentenced to 11 years.

The formal charges accused them of colluding with foreign countries, collecting intelligence reports, fabricating rumors, carrying out subversive activities and endangering the sovereignty and safety of the state. But the Catholic sources said the underlying issue was their refusal to sever links with the Vatican and submit to the authority of the state-approved

Catholic Patriotic Association (CPA) which oversees Chinese Catholics.

The Chinese Catholic Church broke with the Vatican in 1957 at the government's behest and now ordains its own bishops and priests and still celebrates Mass in Latin.

The Administration of Religious Affairs, a government watchdog body, has estimated that there are up to 3 million Catholics and 700,000 protestants in China.

Mr Zhu is now 67 years old and Mr Zhen 75. The two Jesuits have spent nearly 24 years in prison. They were freed in late 1979 and warned to avoid unsanctioned religious activity.

Earlier, the Rev Stanislas Chen, 80, was sentenced to 10 years and the Rev Stephen Chen, 66, was given two and a half years. An unknown number of Chinese Catholics have refused to attend the recently reopened cathedrals and still profess loyalty to the Pope. They have formed a loose underground church that meets secretly for Mass in private homes.

Pregnancy from frozen embryo

From Tony Dubonin Melbourne

An Australian woman is 14 weeks pregnant after being implanted with an embryo which had been frozen for four months. The pregnancy is believed to be the first of its kind after two years of attempting the technique.

The implantation was done in Melbourne by Dr Alan Trounson and Professor Carl Wood of the Monash University - Queen Victoria Epworth Hospital in vitro fertilization team.

The woman became pregnant after an earlier attempt using non-frozen embryos failed when she had a miscarriage after eight weeks.

The technique involves removing one or more eggs from the ovary, adding them to sperm cells in a laboratory and returning any embryos to the womb very early in their development.

Dr Trounson, a senior lecturer in the Monash University department of obstetrics and gynaecology, said that four eggs were removed from the woman last year after she had been given fertility drugs.

The four eggs were fertilized with sperm cells from the woman's husband and three of the resulting embryos were transferred fresh to the womb. A pregnancy developed but the woman miscarried at eight weeks.

Dr Trounson preserved the fourth embryo, which consisted of no more than eight cells, in liquid nitrogen. Four months after the initial egg collection, the couple asked that the embryo be thawed and transferred to the woman. The implantation took place in January.



Unrepentant priest jailed

Father Juan Fernandez Krohn, seen above at the time of his arrest, was sentenced by a Portuguese court yesterday to six years' imprisonment for attempting to assassinate the Pope during his visit to the shrine of Fatima last May. He was also sentenced to a further six months for attempting to use an offensive weapon, our Lisbon Correspondent writes.

The ultra-conservative Spanish priest, who was arrested by security forces as he tried to approach the Pope, had undergone psychiatric tests on the orders of the court and was pronounced fit to stand trial.

Yesterday, as at his two previous court appearances, Father Krohn did his best to draw attention to himself. This time he accused the three judges of being "puppets, communists and assassins", stating that only the Mother of God could condemn him.

After this outburst he again found himself in court an hour and a half later and was sentenced to seven months' imprisonment and a fine of 12,000 escudos (£112) for insulting the judges. The court ordered that he should be expelled from Portugal at the end of his sentence.

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Managua accuses Reagan of starting new cold war

By Marilee Simons

Managua (NYT) - Nicaragua, making what is said was its formal response to president Reagan's speech on Central America last week, has provided for the first time a detailed list of what it claimed were violations of its territory by the United States during the past two years.

The response, given in an address on Sunday by Señor Bayardo Arce, the political leader of the Sandinista National Directorate, was presented before members of the Diplomatic Corps and government and union leaders. Mr Anthony Quainton, the United States Ambassador, was present.

Señor Arce said the United States, as a result of President Reagan's speech, had entered a new period of cold war. The speech showed that Mr Reagan had revived the Truman doctrine of communist containment, and Señor Arce called on Latin America to close ranks to confront it.

Señor Arce, who is regarded as one of the most radical members of the nine-member Directorate, surprised Western diplomats with his detailed presentation. Detection of some of the events listed, according to one analyst, would have required advanced methods.

While the Nicaraguan Government has previously complained of what it called US violations of its territory, it has never before made public such a detailed list.

As evidence of what he called the preparation of American

military aggression against Nicaragua, Señor Arce said that in 1981 Nicaragua had detected 29 violations of its air space by the United States. These, he said, started in July of that year and were carried out by RC135 aircraft.

The US spy flights increased to 124 in 1982. Three of the flights were made by SR7L aircraft, and nine by U2s - aircraft, he said, that had not been previously used. Of the total of 285 aerial violations in 1982, Señor Arce said, 22 were made by Honduran helicopters provided by the US.

This year, all hostile military action against Nicaragua had increased considerably, he added, alleging 19 infiltrations by land larger than those made previously. These were by mercenaries in the service of the Reagan Government, a reference to the US-supported anti-Sandinista rebels.

This year Nicaragua had already detected 31 American spy flights - one U2 flight and 30 flights by RC135s. Moreover, Señor Arce claimed, a US Marine helicopter, identified as US MC 2015, had overflown Puerto Sandino on the Pacific coast. He did not say when this occurred.

Further palpable evidence of Washington's hostile intentions was that in 1982 six US Coast Guard and Navy vessels had maintained a permanent line of control and surveillance of military communications at a distance of about 19 miles off Nicaragua's Atlantic and Pacific

coasts. Señor Arce read out the names and registration numbers of the American vessels, but some were inaudible.

TD 5PY on Nicaragua in 1983, the United States had sent the SSG Samuel Eliot Morrison, the SSG 1068, the SSG 1072 and the SSG 6 Julius Furer to the Gulf of Fonseca and Chinandega area on the Pacific. The last two vessels were there now.

Señor Arce's speech, delivered in an angry tone, was frequently interrupted by revolutionary slogans from the audience, including the often chanted: "No pasaran" ("They will not enter") which has become the prevailing slogan here.

Señor Arce said that in addition to its military, political and economic aggression, the US had turned the Honduran military into an expeditionary force against Nicaragua.

Apparently encouraged by growing Congress opposition to Mr Reagan's policy, Señor Arce said: "We hope that Congress finds formulas to moderate the President's holy anti-communist crusade."

Concluding his speech, Señor Arce gave 11 demands and commitments aimed at Washington, the United Nations and the group of Third World countries known as the nonaligned movement. He asked for immediate negotiations with Washington and an end to American covert and overt hostilities.



Dr Reagan: Mrs Nancy Reagan celebrating after being awarded an honorary doctor of laws degree from Pepperdine University, Los Angeles.

Crisis in Central America Region fears envoy will damage efforts for peace

From Zoriah Pysariwsky, New York

Despite President Reagan's attempts to appease critics and infuse a conciliatory tone in his statement of doctrine on Central America last week, many countries in the region are concerned that his approach to dialogue may presage just the opposite.

In particular they are worried about his decision to give practical expression to the principle of negotiation with the creation of a special envoy for Central America - Senator Richard Stone is waiting for congressional approval to fill this new post. They fear that it will only interfere with efforts by the Contadora Group, composed of Colombia, Mexico, Panama and Venezuela, to give a common direction to peace in the region.

The Central American critics feel that, given the harsh message of the President's speech, Mr Stone will bring directly into negotiations something that the Contadora Group has striven to erase: the view of the Central American crisis as an East-West conflict. It will also mean that the United States, not an impartial observer of the region, will be setting the rules of negotiation.

Diplomats from the region point out that in his speech before a joint session of Congress, Mr Reagan simply took ideas from the so-called San José proposals put forward in January by Costa Rica which had been warmly welcomed by El Salvador and Honduras but rejected by Nicaragua.

These envisage a regional solution to the many crises of Central America and its events, and which many feel offers the only means for negotiation. Most diplomatic observers feel that the United States cannot be too pleased with the rapprochement between Costa Rica and Nicaragua as it diffuses the Reagan Administration's pressure on Nicaragua.

regional talks are supplemented by negotiations with Honduras and the United States. Only then could Nicaragua be assured that disarmament would not lead to its downfall at the hands of American-aided counter-revolutionaries.

It is a case where procedural disagreements are in fact arguments of substance. Since January, the Contadora Group has been engaged in the diplomatic effort of shutting between El Salvador, Honduras, Guatemala, Nicaragua and Costa Rica.

It feels that its greatest strength and chance of success lies in distancing itself from the United States, and for that matter Cuba, in attempting to dissipate the traditional animosities and rivalries and build trust between the politically disparate Central American countries.

The fruits of its efforts have so far been largely westerly, with the exception of the gradually improving relationship between Costa Rica and Nicaragua. After being prompted into two rounds of bilateral discussions dealing with the military operations of anti-Sandinista rebels using Costa Rican territory as sanctuary, the two countries have scheduled a summit later this month.

In a situation rich in irony the latest one is the fact that Costa Rica, whose proposals Mr Reagan borrowed from heavily, has now come out in favour of the Contadora initiative which the President has weakly ignored and which many feel offers the only means for negotiation.

Members of groups opposed to General Pinochet's military government defied an official ban on demonstrations. Some were attacked and injured by club-wielding assailants in civilian clothes while members of the security forces apparently looked on but did not intervene.

May Day marchers clubbed in Chile

Santiago (Reuter) - At least 10 people were injured and more than 100 arrested in central Santiago after people staging a banned May Day demonstration were attacked by unidentified men, witnesses said.

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Hanoi says troops are returning

From David Watts Singapore

In a colourful ceremony in Phnom Penh yesterday, Vietnam began a partial withdrawal of its troops from Cambodia watched by 40,000 people, according to the Vietnamese news agency.

The column of home-going troops, led by "battle-scarred armoured vehicles" was headed by a tank which was said to have led Vietnamese forces into Phnom Penh in 1979 when the capital was captured from the Khmer Rouge Pol Pot regime.

Hanoi has said that it will withdraw one infantry division and six brigades and regiments from this month because of the improved security situation in the country and after a decision by the three Indo-Chinese countries, Laos, Vietnam and Cambodia.

The column moved towards the harbour in Phnom Penh for transfer down the Tonle Sap River to Ho Chi Minh City. There is widespread scepticism about the authenticity of the withdrawal after a similar exercise last year in which the so-called pull-out was preceded by extensive troop movements towards the battleground.

This time some foreign correspondents had been invited and the news agency said that 150 of them watched yesterday's column passing through the city.

The Cambodian Government said 10,000 troops would be withdrawn over the next month.

Mr Hun Sen, the Cambodian Foreign Minister, has said that Vietnam is willing to withdraw troops every year taking into consideration the security situation on the Thai-Cambodian border.

"With goodwill on the Thai side it would be possible for us to withdraw further Vietnamese troops in even larger numbers", he said.

Prisoners of conscience



Estonia: Mart Niklus

By Caroline Moorehead

Mr Mart Niklus, an Estonian biologist, translator of Charles Darwin's works into Estonian, and referred to by the authorities as an "especially dangerous recidivist", is being held in the special severe section - the most severe category - of Perna Corrective Labour Colony No.36.

Prisoners there spend almost 24 hours a day in cells. Sentenced in January 1981, Mr Niklus has eight more years of imprisonment to serve, to be followed by five in internal exile.

He was one of 45 Estonians, Lithuanians and Latvians who, on the fortieth anniversary of the German-Soviet non-aggression pact of 1939, signed an appeal calling on the Soviet authorities to declare the pact void. (Among other things, the pact led to Estonia becoming part of the Soviet Union.)

Seven months after the signing, Mr Niklus was arrested in Tartu, Estonia. It was not his first arrest: in 1959 he had been sentenced to 10 years in a corrective labour colony for "rendering services to the international bourgeoisie", a reference to giving Finnish students a series of photographs showing alleged shortcomings of Soviet life.

This time, however, the charges against him came under "anti-Soviet agitation and propaganda" and consisted principally of listening - with students to Voice of America radio broadcasts, of making "anti-Soviet" telephone calls to Sweden and signing samizdat letters.

Journalist on spy charges granted bail

Düsseldorf (Reuter) - Flemming Soerensen a Danish journalist under arrest for seven months on espionage charges was yesterday freed on bail of DM60,000 (£16,000).

Mr Soerensen, aged 52, whose trial opened in Düsseldorf on April 19, also had to surrender his passport, find a fixed address, and agree to report regularly to the police.

A past president of the Foreign Press Association in Bonn, he has denied charges that he spied for East Germany while working as a journalist in Bonn between 1970 and 1979.

Crash kills 6

Munich (AP) - Six young people between the ages of 16 and 25 were killed in two separate car accidents near here. In both cases, cars ran off the road and crashed into trees.



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Once, Europe was merely a staging post for heroin on its way from Asia to the US, but now it is a major market for the deadly drug. In the first of two articles on heroin and its victims, Stewart Tendler reports that bumper opium crops and a new source of supply could make matters even worse this year

Harvesting the flowers of evil

Is a heroin war about to break out with Europe as the major battlefield? The alarms are ringing at the United Nations and Interpol that any such struggle would have frightening consequences: either bloodshed or a price fight in which low-priced heroin would be dumped on western markets. In the foothills of Pakistan's north west provinces and the oo-man's land of jungle that makes up the border of Laos, Thailand and Burma, the first opium poppy crops of 1983 are being harvested. Each region will produce a second crop later in the year. By the newly processed heroin will be available and the international authorities will have an idea of trends. If a conflict breaks out between the distributors for the Pakistan and the border regions, which are two of the world's great opium growers, it will come at a time when many countries are still in the throes of adjusting to the results of the last release of heroin. They are trying to calculate the cost and the impact of crops last year, the year before and the year before that. Since 1979 heroin has never been seen in such quantities on the illicit market. At the UN's annual narcotics conference in February, the now-familiar problems of the producer countries and the US were discussed yet again. Thailand, for example, estimates it has 600,000 addicts. Pakistan puts the total at 250,000 and the US has almost 500,000 heroin users plus 88,000 in treatment. The year 1979 had a special significance, however, for Europe when it ceased being a transit area for heroin bound for North America.

Italy was the first to become a growing market and now every European country has problems, from an estimated 25,000 addicts in Italy to 500 in Liechtenstein. Britain with its long-established and often emulated treatment system, has been so successful that other countries at keeping the market small: more than 8,000 addicts were notified to the Home Office in 1982 compared with barely 4,000 in 1978 - but estimates exceed 30,000 cases. The figures in other European countries may also be higher than official admissions. At Interpol, several weeks ago, the other side of the picture emerged. More than 1,000 kilograms of heroin was seized in Europe last year, a 20 per cent increase on seizures to 1981. The list of police and customs operations included almost every major air and sea port to the Continent. Drug squad chiefs were told there was evidence that heroin of good and increasingly of better quality was easily available. Production and trafficking in heroin were taking on dimensions not known to previous years and the criminals' operations were becoming better and better organized. The purity of heroin on sale in Europe is put at 30 per cent, compared with a purity in the US as low as 10 per cent, sometimes less. Despite the high quality, prices have stabilized, unaffected by the annual increase in amounts seized by the authorities. Worldwide, a new record of 5.6 tonnes - an increase of 123 per cent on 1981 - was removed from the illicit market last year, while morphine

seizures rose to nearly two tonnes, an increase of 27 per cent, and opium to 54 tonnes, an increase of 5 per cent. How much the seizures reflect the size of the market is impossible to say. Customs officials believe that seizures equal 10 per cent of the trade but it is an imprecise formula. Certainly there has been no shortage of capacity in south-west and south-east Asia. Both areas have long had traditional local markets for opium and the poppy has been an important cash crop for peasant farmers. Their influence on the world market began to be felt in the past decade when the south-east Asian region, eventually dubbed "the Golden Triangle", started to fill part of the vacuum created by the downfall of the "French Cocoon" which linked Turkish opium with the US. By the mid 1970s the hill tribes of the Triangle, dominated by local warlords and aided by the chaos of the Vietnam War, were producing 750 to 1,000 tonnes of opium a year. Heroin moved westwards under the control of gangs, including the Chinese Triads and came on sale in Amsterdam, the great European drug centre, and in London. Part of the market lay in North America - also supplied by Mexico - or American forces in Europe, which included servicemen who had picked up a drug habit in Vietnam. But by the late 1970s the Triangle's production began to drop. There were battles between warlords, new offensives by local governments and the beginning of a drought. Then events in the Middle East took



opium had been successfully stockpiled. The Drug Enforcement Agency, the American federal organization which operates worldwide, offered a gloomy assessment of the Crescent in 1981: "The complex and difficult problem of south-west Asian opium is not subject to any 'quick fix' solutions". The DEA has not changed its view. The message was repeated by its man in Pakistan to British police officers at a conference in Lancashire last month. The heroin has reached Europe in container lorries overland through the Balkans, in solution in bottles of brandy and whisky, in tombstones and by couriers such as Turkish immigrant workers. Last year Pakistan claimed to have closed down 27 laboratories. But processing plants have begun to appear in Europe, including a laboratory found in Britain in 1982, and there are real fears that the Mafia-organized "French Connection" has been revived. Nineteen laboratories have been shut down across Europe in three years including one in Palermo, the ancient Sicilian home of the Mafia, which had a high production capacity. While the Crescent has flourished, the Triangle has slowly recovered. In 1980 the peasants planted a double crop. It was a good year. In 1980-81 there were three crops - in November, January and February. Last year another bumper crop was expected. Intelligence reports suggested a figure of 650 tonnes of opium would be gathered. Both the Thai and Burmese authorities have made incursions on the Triangle with military operations against the warlords but more than a dozen laboratories are still operating. The recovery is showing in Europe. In 1980 heroin from the Triangle made up 5 per cent of seizures. In 1981 the figure was 10 per cent, last year 18 per cent. France has noted that half of its seizures are of heroin that originated in the Triangle. In Scandinavia, Pakistani and Turkish dealers are already fighting over the existing market. The anti-drug authorities in Europe are now trying to make their dispositions to meet this new threat. The Dutch, for example, plan to double the size of their drug squad in Amsterdam to 60 by the autumn. They may soon be joined by a British police officer as part of a plan for an international liaison system agreed recently. The drug squad in London is remaining static at just over 40 officers, half of them uniformed, but the Home Office has instructed the overall police effort to be increased by the involvement of detectives from Britain's regional crime squads. The police have received intelligence to the effect that some of the most notorious, big-time criminals they regard as "targets" have become generally connected to the drug trade. Extra manpower has been brought into the British customs operations against heroin and an investigator now spends part of his time working alongside the Pakistani authorities. None the less the number of addicts notified to the Home Office in the first few months of this year stood at 2,600. In the same period last year it was 2,000. In 1978 notifications for the whole of the year were 2,100.

addiction. Heroin became a "recreational drug" and recent research reveals that there are now occasional users who may have avoided addiction or believe they have, taking heroin only when they want to. In Britain other factors were at play. In 1979 a succession of customs operations is said to have created a shortage of cannabis, much of which had come from Pakistan. Instead dealers offered heroin, which was sometimes sold for less than the available cannabis. The importers, many of them Pakistani, entered the market with little experience of its economics. So prices were low - there are stories of whole kilos being offered at knock-down prices. Monitoring of street prices has suggested the price for a gram fell as low as £35 in 1979. Now it is £60 but small packets of heroin at £5 or £10 are reported to be common. Heroin is easier and more profitable to smuggle than the bulkier cannabis. The profits can be enormous, running into millions, which encouraged dealers and distributors to continue the trade despite the reappearance of cannabis. Given the opportunities that lay in the West it is hardly surprising that in 1979 south-west Asia produced 1,600 tonnes of opium, double its normal crop. Two hundred tonnes converts to 20 tonnes of heroin. A large proportion of the crop went into Europe, the business often organized by Turks with experience of the heroin trade of their own country. Within a year the UN reported that: "In 1979... western Europe clearly replaced parts of the Americas as the main target for traffickers dealing in illicit opiates. More heroin was seized in Europe than in any other single region. There were no indications that this heroin was in transit to North America". Pakistan came under pressure to take internal action and there were reports that production had dropped to 125 tonnes of opium in the space of not much more than a year. But last February the UN noted: "The evidence of the abundant illicit opium harvests in some parts of the Middle East in the late 1970s were still being felt". The

Tomorrow
Drug-taking in Britain has doubled in four years. Children and professional people have joined the addicts. What can be done?

a hand in the international heroin market. The frontiers of Iran, Afghanistan and Pakistan have long comprised an area with few controls and a flourishing smuggling industry. With the overthrow of the Shah, then the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, whatever controls had existed in the region were cast aside and the "Golden Crescent" came into being. The fall of the Shah sent Iranians fleeing westward, including a number who had converted their wealth into heroin or who, because they were addicts - Iran still has an addict population of 400,000 - brought supplies with them. Europe was suddenly no longer a transit point to the great market in the US but one in its own right. It has been claimed that the failure to suppress the growth of drug use in the 1960s and the spread of cannabis was bound to lead to an upsurge in heroin. Yet it could be said that the refusal to legalize cannabis has encouraged the black market to prosper and widen. The growth in heroin use might have a connexion with growing unemployment among the young and a desire for release from consequent worries. And the modern tendency to take heroin by smoking or sniffing removes the fears and difficulties of injection. Perhaps users felt that smoking or sniffing heroin was unlikely to lead to

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MOREOVER... Miles Kington

The Fall Text of President Reagan's Speech to Congress. My fellow Americans, when I was first nominated to take charge of this production, I undertook to complete it in four years and to bring it in under budget. I still believe we can do that. But there are now danger signals that were not here before, and I must ask you all to rally round to my leadership at this time, putting aside our differences and putting our hands in our pockets. What danger signs am I referring to? I'll tell you what signs I am referring to. I am referring to those small trails of smoke on yonder southern horizon. Those smoke signals are what are worrying me. I guess none of you here has seen signals like that before and you don't know what they signify, and that's why I am here today to tell you; that's why I've gathered you all together today like this. Indians. That's what that means. Somewhere down there the Indians are on the warpath and that means trouble. Let me tell you about these Indians down in Central America, or whatever lies beyond that horizon. They don't believe in the same things as us. They don't believe in freedom like we do. They wouldn't believe in gatherings like this, where I can freely get you all together and tell you what to do. They just believe in plundering, and looting, and burning, and riding horses without a saddle, waving rifles in the air with their right hand. That sometimes puzzles me, the way they always wave rifles in the air, maybe whooping at the same time, because nobody ever

shot an enemy by waving a rifle at him. Still, that's their problem. Our problem, fellow Americans and illegal immigrants, is what we should do about this threat. Another thing about these Indians is that they are not democratically elected, like we are. When their chief tells them to go out and loot and kill, and shoot defenceless villagers in the back prior to stealing their bananas, they go out and do it. That is why I am telling you that you must go out and stop them, if necessary by shooting them in the back. I have seen these things before, in many films, and I can therefore tell you what to do. What we do is this. We find a friendly tribe of Indians and we give them rifles and firewater and tell them to hunt down the Indians we don't like. Well, I've been scouting around and I've found a friendly tribe, down the El Salvador trail, and they're ready and eager to do our bidding. The only thing is, we're going to need money for this, and that's why I've got you all here together like this. I know what many of you are thinking. You're thinking that if shooting starts, someone is going to get hurt and then we'll have another Vietnam. Well, I haven't seen too many Vietnam movies but I've seen a lot of Indian movies and I know one thing, nobody ever gets hurt, not what I'd call hurt. Oh sure, the occasional twisted ankle and a bad fall from a horse, but nobody ever made an omelette with the shells still on. Believe me, my fellow Americans, what this country needs at this moment in motion picture history is another good West-

ern. Don't get me wrong. If Hollywood wants to give all its awards to foreign films about peace and non-violence, that's their business. I'm all for peace. But I believe in peace in its proper place, and that's in the final reel, so that everyone can go home happy knowing that justice has finally been done. I aim to see that justice is done, and that's why I'm asking your help in seeing this friendly tribe which I believe I already referred to being well provided with guns and ammunition, because that is the only way to peace. Well, I've said my piece, and I see those smoke signals are getting a little stronger, so let's get those guns and money together, shall we? There ain't a moment to lose. If the men would like to get going, I would just like to have a word with the women and children. My fellow American women and children, in a moment we're going to be getting the wagons in a circle, and I expect you're wondering what I want you to do. The answer is simple: keep your heads down and leave the rest to me. This is something I am used to. This, at last, is a situation I can handle. Thank you and good night.

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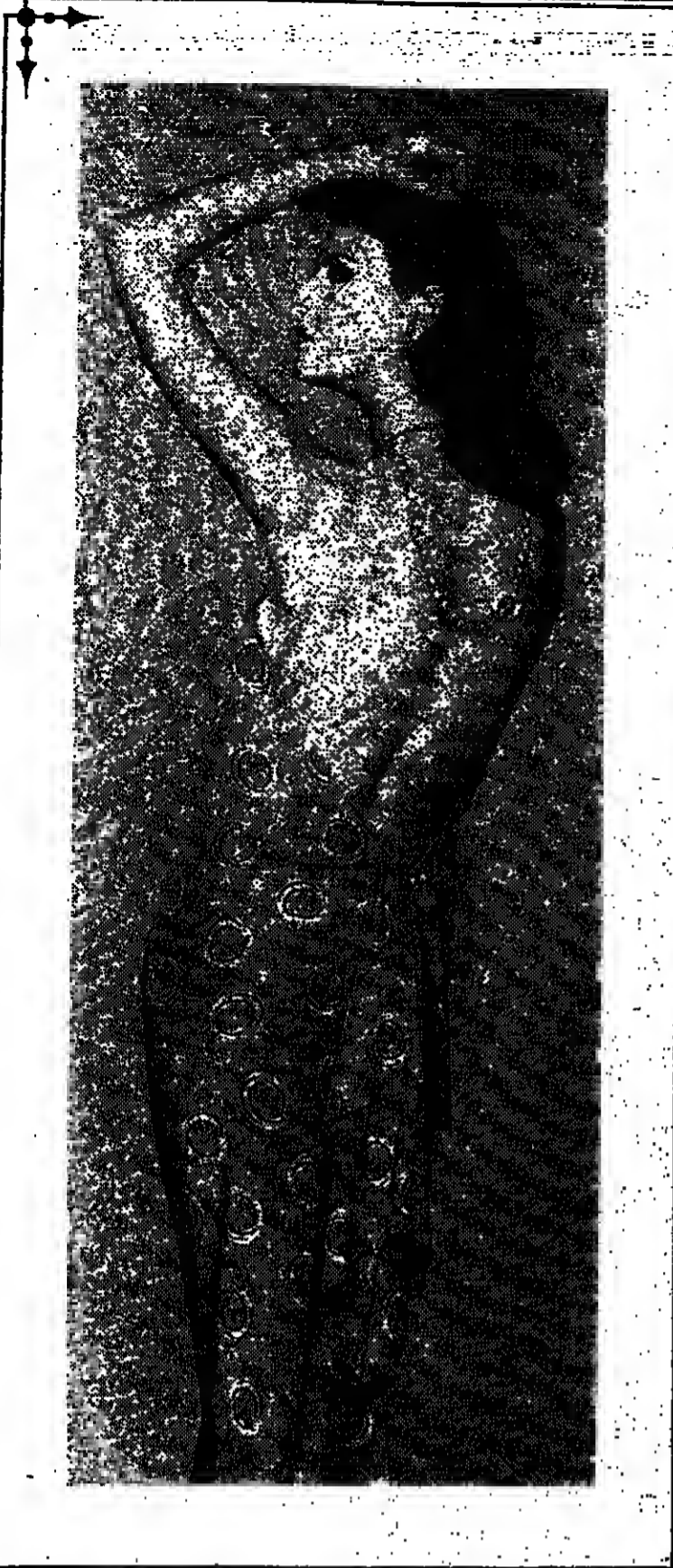
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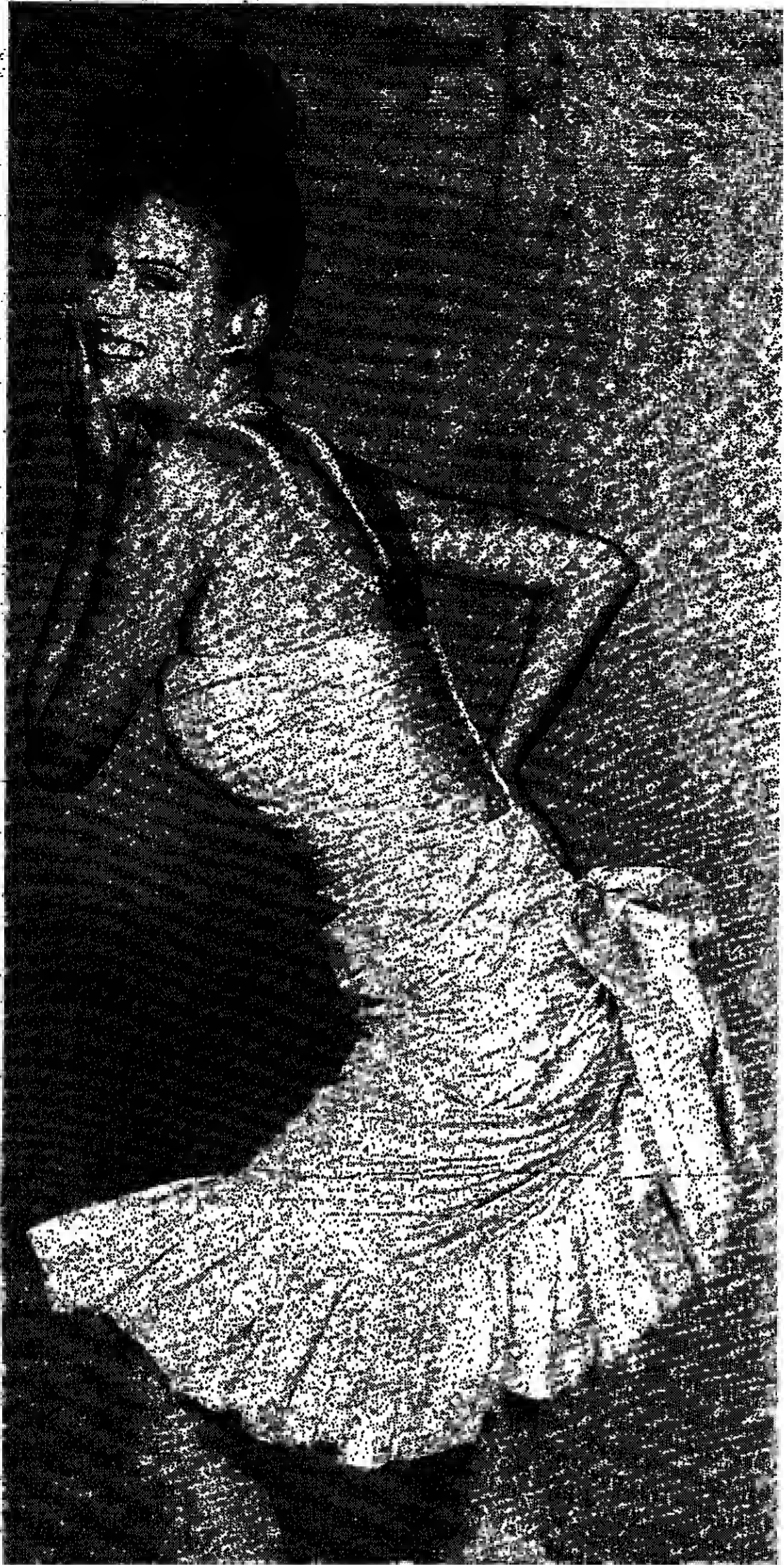


Bare as you dare (above): blue silk halter dress with waterfall ruffle and circle print, also in red by Bruce Oldfield, £299 from Harvey Nichols, Knightsbridge, London SW1. Daisy chain necklace in 18 carat gold set with blue-white diamonds and circle motif. Ring and earrings, By M. Gerard.

Belville's bustle (right): fondant pink silk tulle ruffled cocktail dress with bow and bustle at the back, also powder blue and white, £325 from Belville, Sassoon, 73 Pavilion Road, SW1. Escaped pearl necklace with double bow in red enamel on 18 ct gold and blue white diamonds, ring and earrings, By M. Gerard.

Shimmer and cling (far right): salmon-pink silk satin ruffled Thirties-style dress with back bow and fishtail, £250 from Tatters, 74 Fulham Road, SW3. Angel's skin coral earrings and blue white diamonds set in 18 ct gold by M. Gerard.

The Rhodes plunge (below): cowi-back cornflower blue chiffon tunic with shell print and pearl trim over deep lilac jersey ladder-back dress, by Zandra Rhodes from 14a Grafton Street, W1. Triple strand tasselled agate necklace with blue white diamond butterfly motifs set in 18 ct gold. Matching tasselled earrings, By M. Gerard.



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SNIPPETS

"I want to demonstrate to the fashion industry the level of help needed and to be an inspiration to larger companies," says Frank Russell, chairman of Mansfield, who last Wednesday inaugurated a £25,000 trust for the Royal College of Art.
It is cheering to see a serious fashion company backing fledgling designers in such a constructive way. The income from the trust will be used each year at the discretion of Professor Joanne Brogden and the fashion school, to fund special projects or to help particular students. In return, the students enter an annual Mansfield competition to design for their Cache d'Or casual range.
An After-Six collection was this year's brief. It produced a

stylish range of well-proportioned separates.
Winner Nigel Luck showed all the current trends with his two-tone group using wool crepe in a sophisticated way.
Knitwear dramatic, romantic and exotic is the subject of a lively new exhibition at the British Crafts Centre. The stars - all twinkling in their very different ways - are Sue Black, Ruth Lee, Puri Sharifi and Anne Fewless.
Colour and texture are themes in the general selection (which I myself helped to choose). There are also some extraordinary effects like Sue Bradley's brocade and lace or Susie Freeman's transparent tulle work.
After the London show at 43 Earham Street (until June 4, closed Sunday and Monday), the Knitwear Revue will tour nationally, starting with Plymouth on June 30.

It is one hundred years since the bustle reached its fullest flowering. Never before or since the 1880s has quite so much material been gathered together for the sole purpose of pointing up the posterior. Behind the bustle were contraptions of steel mesh, some so ingenious that they folded up on a spring when the wearer sat down, bouncing back into "the correct Parisian shape", to quote an advertisement of the time.
Weldon Ladies Journal had unstinting praise for these extraordinary bowls of mesh that looked like a cross between a sieve and a fencing helmet. "Their lightness, cleanliness and flexibility - rendering them adjustable to every movement of the body - as well as their durability, should be sufficient to recommend them," said the magazine.
Alas, durability was not the most important feature of these "health bustles" ("recommended by Leading Physicians as being less heating to the spine than any other"). By the end of the 1880s, the bustle had been deflated and fashion was focusing on other areas of the body.
But now, a century after the bottom dropped out of the bustle business, it is suddenly fashionable once more to wear a dress with a fine exit lobe. Bare backs plunge to a posterior cleavage and ruffles and bows outline the rear of the most glamorous designer-creations.
Nineteen-eighty-three is set fair to be the Year of the Derrière - just like 1883 before it... and 1785... and 1683... and 1584. In my research into the bustle I have discovered a surprising and hitherto unpublished fact: that for 400 years the eighth decade has viewed fashion from the rear.
The Bottom Line seems to have started its curve in the 1580s when, in the words of Madge Gariand (*A History of Fashion*, Orbis Publishing Ltd), ladies of the middle classes aped the skirts of their fashionable French sisters "with a contraption known somewhat crudely as a bum-roll. This was an enormous padded sausage which was tied round the hips, making the skirt billow out."
What goes up, must come down, but back came back interest 100 years on when court dress of the 1680s had curtains of fabric tied up with bows to outline the

back. I turned the pages of fashion history to 1785, where I uncovered the Levite, a gown with the skirt open at the front to show the petticoat and the back in a bustle over a bum-roll or extra starched petticoats. And so to the nineteenth century, when bustles first rose in the Seventies and swelled to a crescendo in the Eighties, until a rhymster wrote:
*Who's responsible, I ask you,
For this strange portentous birth
Of an ancient hideous fashion?
And an echo answered: 'Worth!'*
The designers now turning fashion backwards are all the big names, from Karl Lagerfeld for Chloe, with a guitar embroidered across the derriere - to Anthony Price's bustled and bowed Hollywood revamps.
"The whole idea of leading the eye down from the nape of the neck to the waist and beyond is very enticing," claims Bruce Oldfield, who says that he especially likes a covered-up front that runs to reveal a bare expanse of flesh.
David Sassoon put a flirty bustled dance dress into his summer collection as a taste of back interest next season. "There is a lot of movement towards the back because clothes are getting straighter," he says. "The bustle is a sexy way of moving fabric from the front to back."
The bouffant bustle in cornflower blue organza, scarlet Thai silk or spotted voile is the star of Victor Edelstein's couture collection. "It's a natural progression, because people don't want big crinolines any more," says Edelstein, whose fishtails of fabric unpopper so you can refurbish them with the iron.
Otherwise, without these ingenious Victorian contraptions, I suppose it is better for your bustle never to sit down on it.



1880s Bustle rampant



1780s Bow peep



1680s Curtain up



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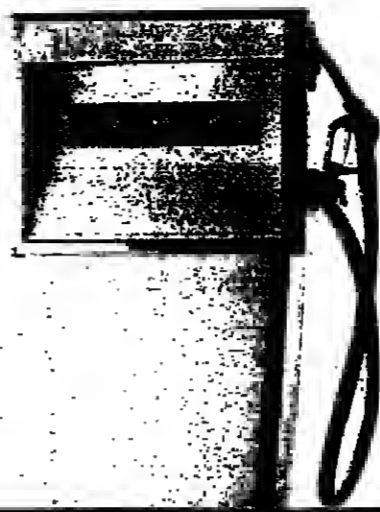
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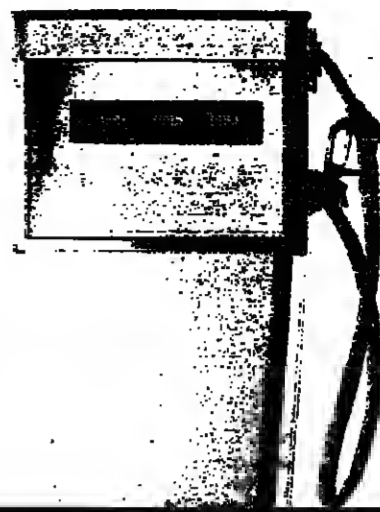
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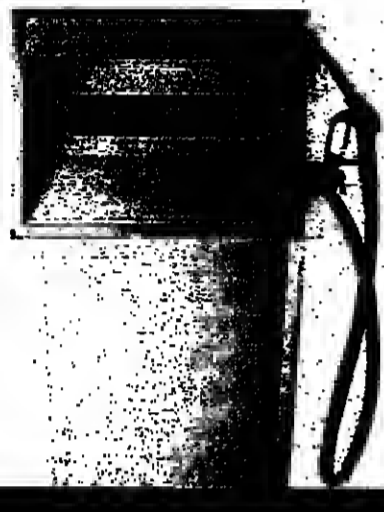
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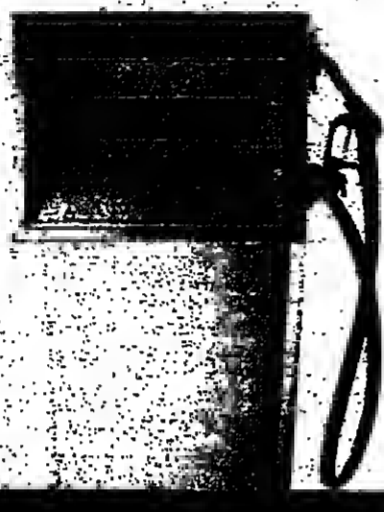
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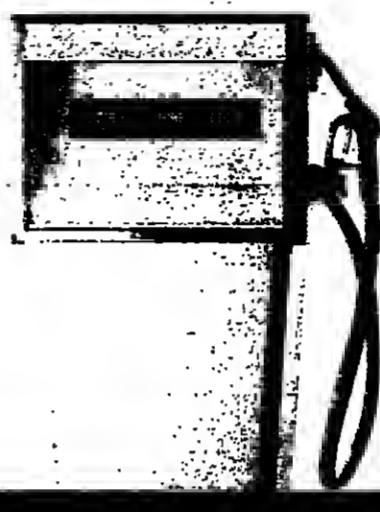
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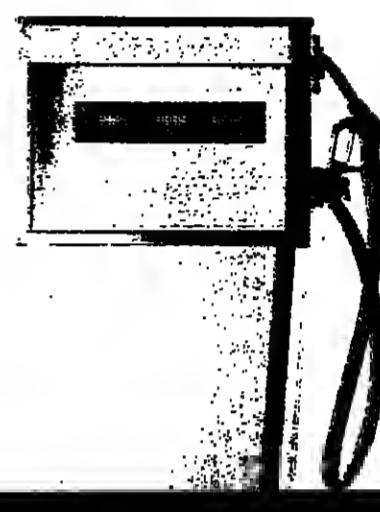
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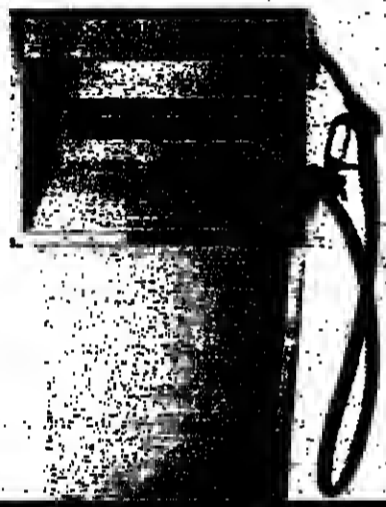
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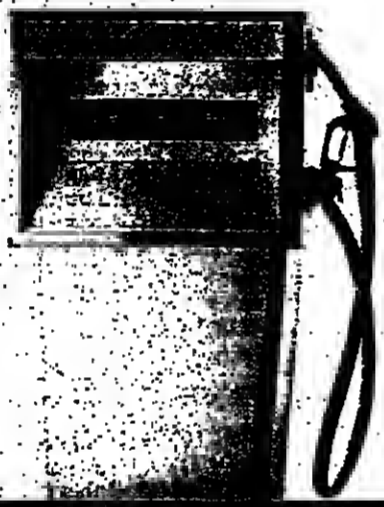
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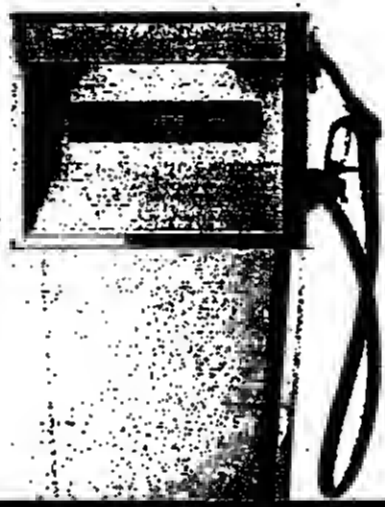
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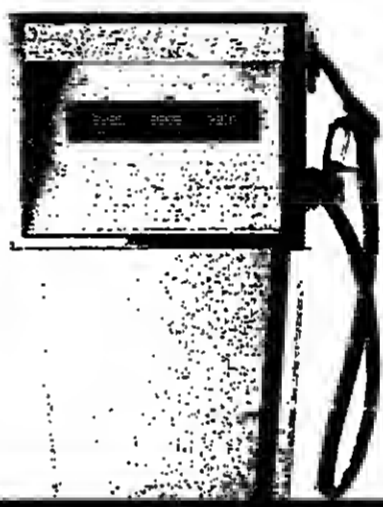
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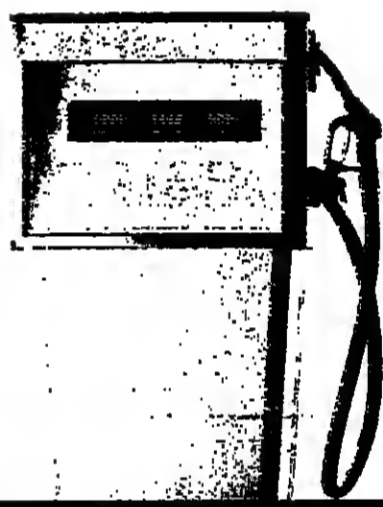
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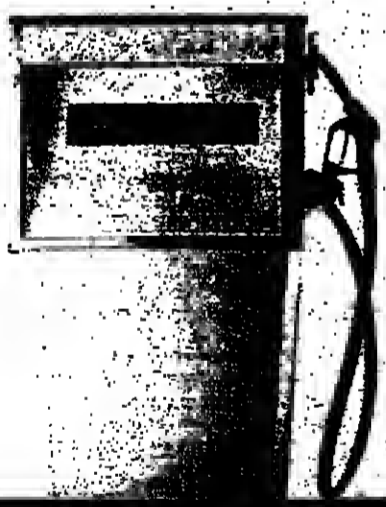
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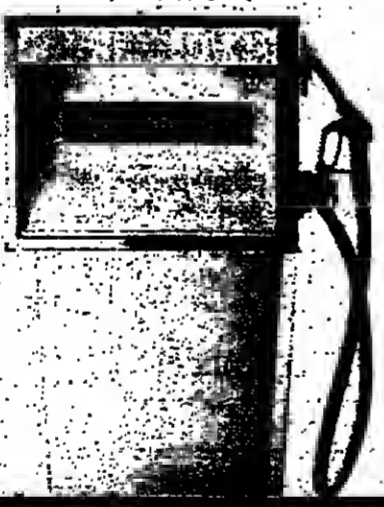
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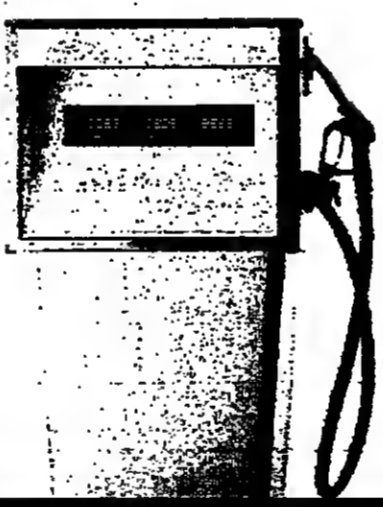
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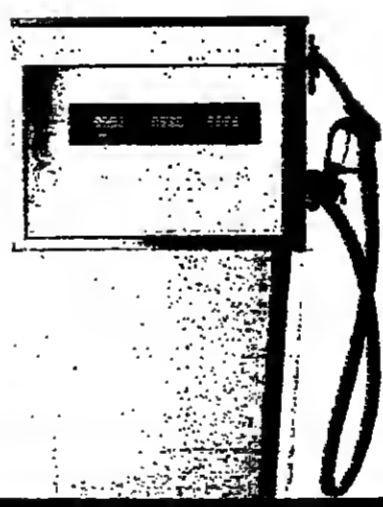
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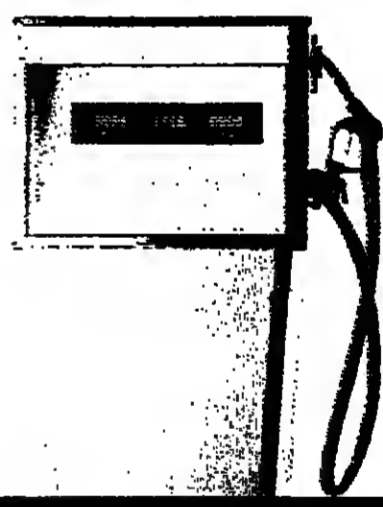
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Confidence in recovery grows

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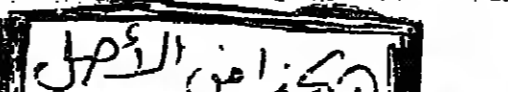
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Brokers' warning dampens Wall St

New York (AP-Dow Jones) - Stock prices continued to slip in heavy early trading as a major Wall Street brokerage house issued a warning to its clients. The Dow Jones industrial average was off 15.77 points to 895.3, and losing issues outpaced gains nearly two to one. Volume was a brisk 29 million shares in the first hour.

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Paris may make dramatic policy change French-US clash and reflation fears pose threat to summit

A new clash over economic policy between the United States and France is threatening to disrupt this month's Williamsburg summit, despite short-lived hopes that last week's agreement by the summit countries on exchange rate intervention would prevent an international row. Fears of a new reflationary boost by the French Government have coincided with immediate public bickering between the Europeans and Americans over exactly what had been decided in Friday's face-saving agreement on currency intervention.

From Bailey Morris, Washington



Delors: "Burned again" by Reagan's remarks

Minister, accused the Reagan Administration of once again backing off from a newly-signed international accord. M. Delors said at a news conference that he felt "burned again" by the remarks of Mr Donald Regan, the US Treasury Secretary. Mr Regan had said that the new accord on intervention in currency markets signed by the seven summit countries did not signal a change in US policy.

Lawson allays fears on Opec price pact

Britain has again told key Arab members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries that North Sea oil production will not be cut back to help maintain the new found stability in the world oil market.



Lawson: no promise on cutbacks will hold throughout the rest of the year.

Mr Lawson's first date on his Gulf tour was with the Emir of Kuwait, Shaikh Jaber al-Ahmed Al-Sabah, and Kuwait's oil minister, Shaikh Ali Khalifa al-Sabah. The friendly talks reportedly centred on ways of maintaining price stability in the uncertain oil market.

Recovery is 'already under way'

Bonn (AP-Dow Jones) - The economic revival in leading Western industrial nations began at the start of this year, with demand and production rising, especially in the United States, West Germany and Britain, according to West German economists.

Final Williamsburg advice for Howe

Britain's industrial and union leaders will have their last important opportunity tomorrow to impress on Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Chancellor, their priorities for the forthcoming round of world economic and finance discussions.

Plea for industrial rate cut

Industry and commerce call today for a new programme of reform of local authority rates and finances in a renewed attempt to reduce what are regarded as companies' crippling rates bills.

Turnround of £600m for BA

Sir John King, the chairman of British Airways, will report a big change in the fortunes of the airline when its financial results for last year are announced, but there are still doubts about the timing of the Government's intended sale of the corporation.

March profits first for 20 months Air Florida auditors gloomy

Air Florida, the American airline which has been expanding its services out of Gatwick, "may be unable to continue as a going concern", according to its auditors Peat Marwick Mitchell. Factors cited in the judgment accompanying the airline's annual report are the 1982 net loss of \$93.4m (£59m) and a year-end negative net worth of \$34.5m.

Glynwed's UK profits higher but a downturn overseas

Highlights from the statement of the Chairman, Sir Leslie Fletcher, to the shareholders of Glynwed International plc: U K's trading profits rose by £5 million to £17,682 million, much of this improvement due to severe rationalisation programme which began three years ago.

City Comment A canny look at US banks

The experience of the big clearing banks expanding in the United States has not been entirely happy one. In retrospect, it is all clear that the Midland, for instance, paid over the odds when it bought Crocker. While California is one of the most attractive banking markets in the US, the Crocker acquisition will take some time to prove itself.

Magazines in battle over surveys

New York (NYT) - Fortune and Forbes, the rival US business bi-weeklies, have spent months compiling their annual "500" surveys of America's largest companies. Now, as each publication sets about the task of trying to persuade business readers that its list is the best, the sparks are flying.

More details on TV deal

Further details of Polly Peck's deal to assemble and market colour television sets in Turkey under licence from Thorn EMI are expected to be announced today.

The week:
Clive Cookson

Alvey problems for IBM

The official response to the Alvey report, announced at last on Thursday, was along the lines suggested by recent leaks: over five years the government will contribute £50m to academic research and £150m to industrial projects in advanced information technology, if the companies involved match that pound for pound.

The funding mechanism proposed by John Alvey and his committee last September would have allowed the government to pay 90 per cent of industry's basic research costs rather than the 50 per cent that the Treasury and Downing Street eventually imposed as a standard contribution. Therefore the government will provide less than 60 per cent of the programme's total £350m budget rather than the 70 per cent envisaged by Alvey.

Although the industry was naturally disappointed by this reduction, the initial reaction to Mr Patrick Jenkin's statement was pleasure and relief that the government had put the Alvey show on the road at last, after taking eight months to study its urgent recommendations. Nearly two years have passed since the world first became aware of the Japanese programme to build a "fifth generation" of intelligent computers for the 1990s - the original inspiration of all the activity.

The delay turned out to have been caused entirely by indecision about funding and management rather than the programme's content. The government has adopted without change Alvey's recommendations for the four priority areas of research. In order of likely expenditure, they are very large scale integration, software engineering, man/machine interface, and intelligent knowledge-based systems.

Brian Oakley, secretary of the Science and Engineering Research Council, will head a five-strong full-time directorate in the Department of Industry who will manage the Alvey programme. He reports to a small supervisory board of industrialists chaired by Sir Robert Telford, a director of I.C. and chairman of Marconi.

Apparently the government tried and failed to persuade several high-powered figures from within the electronics industry to take the director's job. Now 56-year-old Mr Oakley, whose career has been spent in government research establishments and the Civil Service, must provide the dynamic management style which the Alvey Committee saw as a "prime requirement" for success.

The directorate should be in place by June, and Mr Jenkin expects the first research contracts to be placed by the end of the summer.

On a more controversial note, the government has endorsed Alvey's proposed conditions for the involvement of foreign multinationals. IBM and the other American companies (who take eight of the top nine places in the British computer league) can take part only if they can guarantee that the work will be exploited entirely in this country and that technical information will not "leak overseas to the benefit of Britain's competitors".

On the face of it, many multinationals will find it hard to provide the "best" assurances that Mr Jenkin will require. IBM had no immediate comment on whether it would be able to take part. "We need to know more details about the conditions," a spokesman said.

British-owned hardware and software companies expressed general enthusiasm for getting to work on Alvey projects as soon as possible. "We're looking forward to playing a major role," said Mike Watson, technical director of ICL.

Winston Muktaraj Singh, technical director of Scicon, welcomed the report "with one note of caution: the emphasis must be on the long-term needs of industry, as opposed to research that is only interesting from an academic point of view."

Mini system to keep the lighthouses shipshape

Trinity House goes on line



Skerries lighthouse - one of 94 Trinity House lighthouses and soon to come under the computer umbrella for its maintenance

more sophisticated devices which are often automatic or semi-automatic, and are therefore of more complicated construction.

An example of this is the replacement of several light vessels by Large Automatic Navigation Buoys, or LANBYS, which are fully automatic and powered by diesel generators, having electric light and fog signals. Since WIMS was primarily aimed at hospital users, there was insufficient space to describe items such as

LANBYS, so the system had to be expanded.

"We have no fixed schedule for installing the system but are gradually phasing it in," said Trinity House. "Initially it will be used as an information system, mostly for assets, so our first phase is to get all the assets on."

The Corporation's main workshops are situated at Blackwall and this is where most of the servicing, maintenance and manufacturing of equipment is carried out. There

is also a major stores holding and further VDUs and printers are likely to be installed there at a later stage, so that WIMS can be used for stock control and invoicing.

Once WIMS is fully operational it will generate all documentation relating to defect, standard and preventive maintenance, such as job cards, manuals and specifications for subcontractors.

Feedback from the workshops can be used to build up maintenance histories or to

supply information on reliability and other technical or financial topics. At the moment Trinity House accounting systems are run on an outside bureau service, but it should be possible to feed WIMS information into overall accounts later.

If the initial WIMS pilot project is a success, the system is likely to be expanded into a network linking depots around the country.

Maggie McLening

Image processing

Seeing arms for working robots

There are already many applications of image processing in industry such as the automatic checking of sheets of rolled metal for faults.

Such systems are usually "one-off" pieces of hardware built for simple, repetitive tasks. The newer systems will be general purpose image processing equipment which can be reprogrammed for different work.

Almost all of the robots used in factories at present perform their monotonous tasks blindly, but now cameras are beginning to be added to the robot arms, orient them correctly and assemble them into a complete product. This is not too difficult a task to program, but computers are often still too slow to do it economically.

Image processing commonly makes heavy demands on computer time, because of the large number of picture elements in the image to be analysed. Typically a picture is analysed by breaking it up into small pieces of the image - perhaps as many as 250,000.

One solution to the problem of time is the use of an array processor, a computer peripheral which can sometimes make calculations a hundred times faster. Another common approach is to work through the program in slow-motion on the computer to decide how to tackle it, and then build electronic circuits to speed up the computer for the specific problem.

Except where there are problems in obtaining sufficient speed, image processing uses

essentially the same equipment as the rest of the computer world except that a frame store is usually attached to the computer to enable the programmer to see the results of the processing. The frame store is a device able to store a whole television picture in electronic memory. Every part of that picture can be altered under computer control.

British firms have done well in producing frame stores and peripheral image processing equipment. The complexity of the hardware and differences in world video standards have prevented them from being swamped by mass-produced, world wide products.

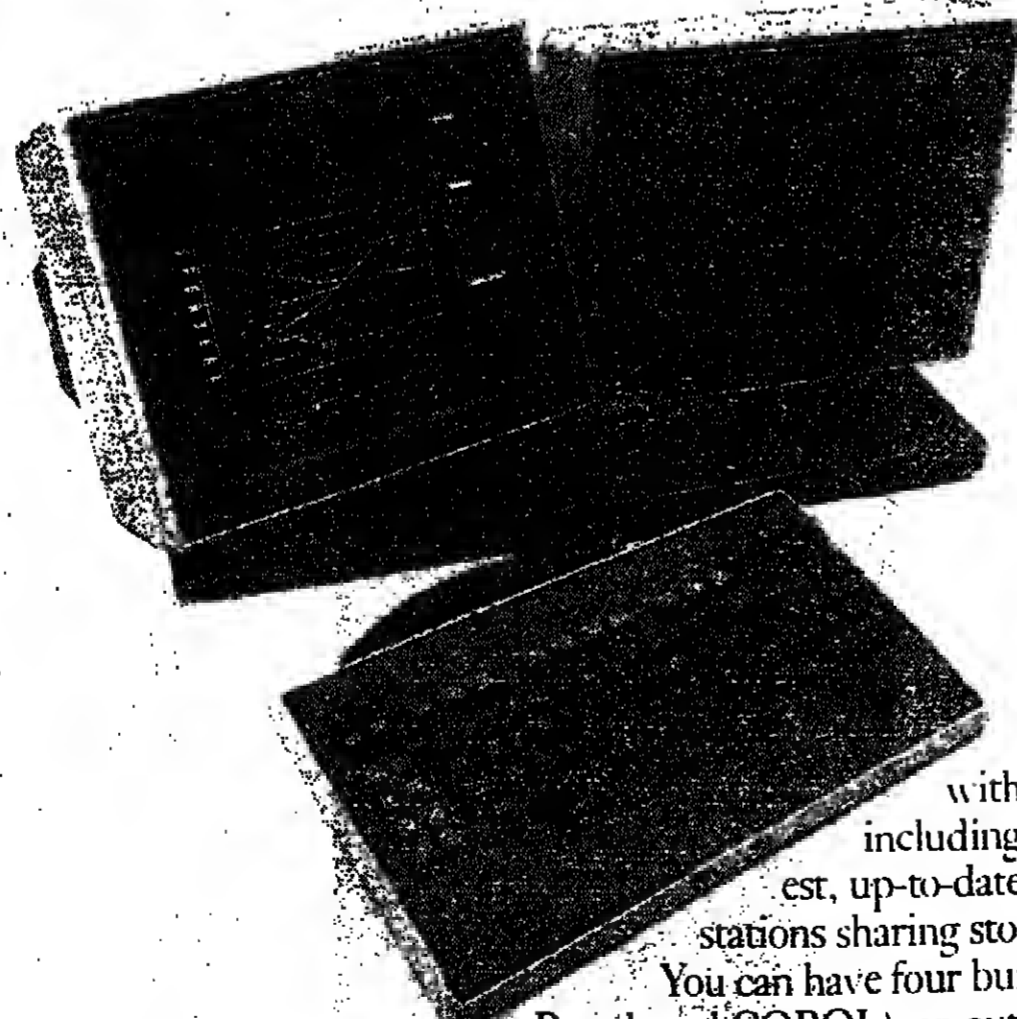
As in other areas of computing, the cost of software is dominating the hardware cost of a project. The majority of image processing projects are funded by the Science and Engineering Research Council (SERC) and a major effort to promote the importance of the field and rationalize existing work has started with a review of the UK image processing scene by Dr Joseph Kittler of Rutherford Appleton Laboratories. British scientists do fairly well in the field of image processing software, falling second only to the material and manpower resources of the US.

The British Pattern Recognition Association conference at Oxford in August will provide a forum to demonstrate progress in the subject.

Dr Richard Stevens

The author is an image processing scientist.

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FOOTBALL: PROMOTION AND RELEGATION STRUGGLES INTENSIFY

May Day of red and angry faces

By Peter Ball
The experiment of planning a full Football League fixture list on the May Day bank holiday was not an unqualified success.

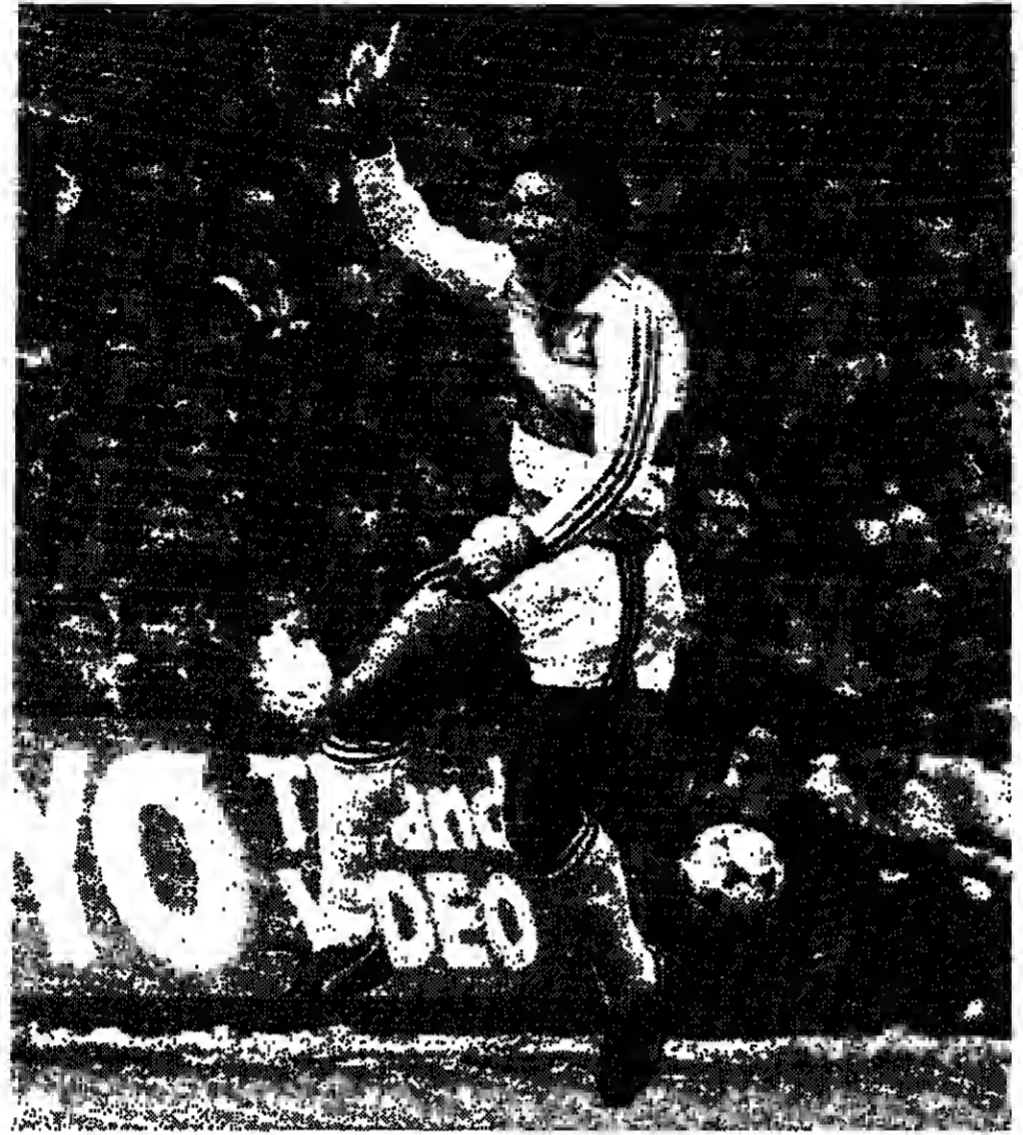
Manchester United's experiences were even sorer. A match at Highbury, which had begun two under-strength teams erupted during the second half, culminating with the dismissal of Moses and two bookings in the dying seconds.

from Cunningham interrupting the tedium. As the game progressed it seemed that United would be content to see Arsenal at the fifth attempt this season, take such a narrow victory to provide some scant consolation for their two Cup semi-final disappointments.

manager was also ordered from the touchline for his comments, and there was still time for Whyte to join Talbot in the book for a foul on the originator of much of the trouble, Whiteside.

Birmingham rise on the finest of cuts

By Simon Barnes
Foster, Brighton's centre half, lapped this all up, promising not to reflect on what a silly person he is.



Rangers' second goal and Sealy, the scorer, cannot conceal his delight.

Leicester bedevilled

By Leslie Duxbury
In fact it was a fluent move by Ritchie which led to the first goal in the twenty-sixth minute. He turned his men slightly and sprang down the middle before feeding Butcherworth inevitably on his right.

Fulham ballroom dancers slip on Rangers' polished floor

By Stuart Jones, Football Correspondent
Queco's Park Rangers, as well as scoring the finest goal of their triumphant season, won the second division championship yesterday.

substitute Reeves but Hazell, standing on the line, blocked it with a suspicious use of his left arm. Vehement claims for a penalty were rejected by a referee who earlier dismissed Wilson for dissent and later dismissed Lewington for deliberately falling.

Maxwell wants scheme to go ahead

By Nicholas Haring
The cynics will suggest, no doubt, that Robert Maxwell may be doubly motivated to merge his Oxford United with Reading after yesterday's Reading victory.

Maxwell wants scheme to go ahead

By Sydney Friskin
Steve Davis, aged 25, brought glory to England by regaining the world professional championship at the Crucible Theatre, Sheffield, yesterday.

Hill ready to resign at Coventry

Jimmy Hill, the Coventry chairman and television presenter, may resign his position at the first division club. An official statement will be issued today.

Bilbao reign in Spain again

Paris (AFP) - Athletic Bilbao, Spain's oldest football club, won the league title by overtaking Real Madrid on the last day of the season.

time by Betegua kept Juventus in contention for the Italian title. However, Roma need only to draw away to Genoa next week to win the title.

Roker full of regrets

By a Special Correspondent
"You'll murder this lot", the man with the words said to the handful of Watford supporters who had driven through non-stop rain and drizzle to huddle on open terracing at Roker Park in a temperature scarcely touching 40 degrees.

CRICKET Pitch turns quirky

St John's, Antigua (Reuter) - India, 93 runs behind West Indies on the third day, could conceivably lose the fifth and final Test match which ends here today after yesterday's rest day.

IN BRIEF Uphill path to victory

Lagos de Enol (Reuter) - Marino Lejarreta, of Spain, recorded his third consecutive victory over Spain yesterday with a spectacular final uphill sprint. He won the 117.2-mile thirteenth stage from Aguilar de Campo in 5hr 45min 17sec.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

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EQUESTRIANISM: TOWERLANDS ANGLEZARKE REVELS IN THE WIDE OPEN SPACES

Pyrah produces world-class ride against the clock

After an exciting three-horse jump-off against the clock, Malcolm Pyrah riding Tom Hunnabell's Towerlands Anglezarke, took the £6,000 first prize in the Kerrygold Cup at Hickstead yesterday. It was the biggest competition of the three-day Kerrygold International meeting and fittingly produced a thrilling finish.



No head for heights: Anton Ebdon on Jumbo Design.

Pyrah cut all the corners to finish in 43.5secs. Smith's round looked a winning one, but Pyrah then produced the kind of riding which has made him a world silver medal winner.

Carroll, gained his second victory at this meeting and Ireland's fourth when he won the Kerrygold Fault and Out, narrowly beating Kelly Brown on Mrs Brown's Springlife.

Sangster may have found himself another Nijinsky

Lomond, the 2,000 Guineas winner, should not yet be ruled out of calculations when it comes to assessing the Derby. Robert Sangster, his owner, said yesterday that plans as Ballydoyle, where he is trained, were still fluid.

Tree repeats Oaks warning to backers

Jolly Bay, a leading fancy for the Oaks after her victory in the Pretty Polly Stakes at Newmarket last Friday will run next in the Loretto Stakes at Goodwood on May 19.

RACING

Gloomy week in prospect

Rain is threatening to devastate the week's racing in Britain, and there is a heavy cloud of gloom over the weathermen, who predict more to come. Yesterday's original total of 10 meetings was halved when Haydock Park, Newcastle, and Southwell joined the casualty list.

Cumani puts Derby case for Tolomeo

Luca Cumani struck by Doncaster yesterday when he brought off a double with Farioffa and Tom Okker. The final go-ahead for racing was only given after an 11.30 inspection.

McEnroe wins title for third time in classic encounter

World Championship Tennis (WCT) may have its problems with the struggle for control of lawn tennis, but it has a habit of producing classic matches. John McEnroe's 6-4, 6-3, 6-7, 7-6 win over Ivan Lendl, the defending champion, was no exception.

BADMINTON English pair go through

Sally Podger, the England No. 1, and Karen Beckman, the English national champion, reached the second round of the world championships with performances as different as their colourfully contrasting styles in the Brøndby Hallen, Copenhagen, yesterday.

PERUGIA Women's Italian open championship, first round: B Fissi (I) vs V Nelson (US), 7-6, 6-1; V Watson (GB) vs R Lyle (SA), 4-6, 7-5.

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LUISVILLE, Kentucky (AP) - Sunny's Halo, who spent the winter swimming in California, appears full of running oomph, and in the opinion of several trainers, he is the horse to beat in the Kentucky Derby on Saturday.

Miss Shriver passes \$1m

Atlanta (Reuters) - Pam Shriver won her first tournament for 17 months when she beat Kathy Jordan 6-2, 6-0 in the final of the Atlanta women's event. She also reached another personal milestone, her \$3.8 million winner's prize taking her over the \$1m in career earnings.

MISSOURI World Championship Chessboards, 4, Sweden 1.

SQUASH Barrington bows out with a win

Calgary (AP) - Jonah Barrington, the six-times world champion, ended his career in open squash with a hard-fought victory over Howard Brown, of New Zealand, in the final of the Canadian Open.

MOTOR CYCLING Haslam unbeatable as Britons rout Americans

Ron Haslam had been tipped by the American captain, Kenny Roberts, as the Brito to beat, but he was unbeatable at Brands Hatch yesterday as he had been at Snetterton on Sunday. He led an under-strength British team to a 47-point victory over the Americans in the Marlboro Transatlantic Trophy.

Kempton results

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MOD. PENTATHLON Sowerby leads way for Britain

Fifth place for the British team in the Danabast international was more of an achievement than it might appear at first, because the team was as tough as any for this season.

SHOOTING Army man is the top marksman

Second Lieutenant Nick Crawshaw, aged 19, of the 1st Battalion Royal Anglian Regiment, won the Army Target Rifle Club open championship at Bisley yesterday.

Devon

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